

EXTRACT FROM MEMORANDUM CONTACT REPORT

155/UTILITY C 7 & @WINTERSTEIN 21 Feb 1966

9. Over lunch WINTERSTEIN talked about various CATIDE personalities and problems at some length. He spoke very frankly, almost as if I were another member of CATIDE. He stated first that UTILITY is continuing his plans to continue as Chief of CATIDE after his 65th birthday in April 1967. The Fedrep government will in all likelihood extend UTILITY in office. The government values UTILITY's world-wide reputation and long experience and the politicians do not desire an inter-party squabble over the naming of his successor. WINTERSTEIN said he thought extending UTILITY's term of office would be the best solution for CATIDE, since only UTILITY could keep strong personalities like @HOLTEN, @DEGENHARDT and others in line. WINTERSTEIN, of course, has a very good relationship with UTILITY and this doubtlessly contributes to his readiness to see UTILITY stay on. Few other CATIDERS would share his joy at this prospect.

10. WINTERSTEIN went on to say that UTILITY has been quite a different man since the UJDROWSY case broke. The case hurt him very deeply. UTILITY personally trusted UJDROWSY and did much to advance his career in CATIDE. When UJDROWSY turned out to be a KGB agent UTILITY's faith in human nature and the reliability of his associates was deeply shaken. WINTERSTEIN said that since the UJDROWSY case UTILITY is secretive and trusts very few people. WINTERSTEIN added that what I had seen of UTILITY during the last years had probably given me a wrong impression of the man. UTILITY was a much better and more vigorous leader a few years ago.

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